We Claim:

1. A method for displaying transactional information regarding the buying and selling of semi-fungible goods comprising:

    displaying a first book axis to represent orders placed for a first semi-fungible good; and

    displaying a second book axis to represent orders placed for a second semi-fungible good, where the second book axis is displayed in a location near the first book axis.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein displaying a first book axis further comprises:

    displaying at least one visual indicator along the book axis, wherein the visual indicator represents a bid for the first semi-fungible good; and

    displaying at least one visual indicator along the book axis, wherein the visual indicator represents an offer for a semi-fungible good.

3. The method of claim 2 wherein a geometric dimension of the visual indicator represents a quantity of goods to be bid for.

4. The method of claim 1 wherein an axis in units of price is displayed correlating to the book axes, to indicate prices of the orders placed for the semi-fungible goods.

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5. The method of claim 1 wherein an axis in units of a designated value is displayed

correlating to the book axes to indicate values of the orders placed for the semi-fungible

goods.

6. The method of claim 5 wherein the axis is displayed in units of implied volatility.

7. The method of claim 2 wherein a space between a highest value bid and a lowest

value offer along the book axes is highlighted to allow users to view spreads for the

different semi-fungible goods.

8. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving a selection of a book axis; and

highlighting the selected book axis.

9. The method of claim 1 further comprising:

receiving a selection of a book axis; and

displaying a panel containing information relating to the selected book

axis.

10. The method of claim 9 wherein displaying a panel further comprises:

displaying a book axis for the selected semi-fungible good;

displaying a bid icon representing a bid for the semi-fungible good; and

displaying an offer icon representing an offer for the semi-fungible good.

11. The method of claim 10 further comprising:

displaying a bid icon whose end points to a value on a value axis.

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1   12.   The method of claim 10 wherein the bid and offer icons are visually

2   distinguishable.

1   13.   A method for displaying transactional information regarding the buying and

2   selling of non-fungible goods comprising:

3   displaying a first book axis to represent orders placed for a first non-

4   fungible good; and

5   displaying a second book axis to represent orders placed for a second non-

6   fungible good, where the second book axis is displayed in a

7   location near the first book axis.

1   14.   A method for displaying transactional information regarding the buying and

2   selling of goods comprising:

3   displaying a first book axis to represent bids placed for a first good; and

4   displaying a second book axis to represent bids placed for a second good,

5   where the second book axis is displayed in a location near the first

6   book axis.

1   15.   A method for displaying transactional information regarding the buying and

2   selling of goods comprising:

3   displaying a first book axis to represent offers placed for a first good; and

4   displaying a second book axis to represent offers placed for a second good,

5   where the second book axis is displayed in a location near the first

6   book axis.

16. A method for displaying transactional information regarding the buying and selling of semi-fungible goods comprising:

    displaying at least one book axis to represent orders placed for a first semi-fungible good, wherein displaying a first book axis further comprises:

        displaying at least one order icon along the book axis, wherein the order icon represents a bid for the first semi-fungible good; and

        displaying at least one order icon along the book axis, wherein the order icon represents an offer for a semi-fungible good.

17. The method of claim 16 wherein more than one order to be displayed at an identical location along the book axis are combined for display as a single order icon with a visual characteristic different than order icons that are not combined.

18. The method of claim 17 wherein the visual characteristic is a length equal to combined quantities of the order icons to be combined and demarcation graphics indicating a number of order icons combined.

19. The method of claim 16 wherein more than one order icon to be displayed at similar locations along the book axis are combined for display as a single multiple order icon that is visually distinguishable from a single order icon.

20. The method of claim 19 wherein the multiple order icon is displayed being outlined with moving dashed lines.

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1   21.   The method of claim 19 wherein the multiple order icon displays an order icon for

2   each order being combined, and displays the order icons contiguously.

1   22.   A method for displaying transactional information regarding the buying and

2   selling of semi-fungible goods comprising:

3   displaying more than one book axis to represent orders placed for semi-

4   fungible goods; and

5   displaying a single value axis, wherein the value axis is displayed in units

6   of a value common to the semi-fungible goods and order icons

7   representing orders for semi-fungible goods are displayed in

8   locations along the book axes corresponding to the units of the

9   value axis.

1   23.   The method of claim 22 wherein, for a book axis, a lowest offer and a highest bid

2   are displayed as order icons in locations along the book axes corresponding to the units of

3   the value axis and other orders are displayed without correlation to the value axis.

1   24.   The method of claim 23 wherein the other orders are displayed a predetermined

2   distance apart from each other.

1   25.   The method of claim 22 wherein the value axis is displayed in units of implied

2   volatility.

1   26.   A computer-readable medium, for an electronic trading system in which items are

2   bought and sold responsive to orders submitted by traders, each order specifying a value

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3   and quantity for the order, said computer-readable medium containing a program

4   containing instructions to cause a processor to:

5   display a first book axis to represent orders placed for a first semi-fungible

6   good; and

7   display a second book axis to represent orders placed for a second semi-

8   fungible good, where the second book axis is displayed in a

9   location near the first book axis.

1   27.   A computer readable medium for causing the display of transactional information

2   regarding the buying and selling of semi-fungible goods, the computer readable medium

3   containing program instructions causing the processor to:

4   display at least one book axis to represent orders placed for a first semi-

5   fungible good, wherein displaying a first book axis further

6   comprises:

7   displaying at least one order icon along the book axis, wherein the

8   order icon represents a bid for the first semi-fungible good;

9   and

10   display at least one order icon along the book axis, wherein the order icon

11   represents an offer for a semi-fungible good.

1   28.   A computer readable medium for causing the display of transactional information

2   regarding the buying and selling of non-fungible goods, the computer readable medium

3   containing program instructions causing the processor to:

4 display a first book axis to represent orders placed for a first non-fungible

5 good; and

6 display a second book axis to represent orders placed for a second non-

7 fungible good, where the second book axis is displayed in a

8 location near the first book axis.

1 29. A computer readable medium for causing the display of transactional information

2 regarding the buying and selling of goods, the computer readable medium containing

3 program instructions causing the processor to:

4 displaying a first book axis to represent bids placed for a first good; and

5 displaying a second book axis to represent bids placed for a second good,

6 where the second book axis is displayed in a location near the first

7 book axis.

1 30. A computer readable medium for causing the display of transactional information

2 regarding the buying and selling of semi-fungible goods, the computer readable medium

3 containing program instructions causing the processor to:

4 display more than one book axis to represent orders placed for semi-

5 fungible goods; and

6 display a single value axis, wherein the value axis is displayed in units of a

7 value common to the semi-fungible goods and order icons

8 representing orders for semi-fungible goods are displayed in

9 locations along the book axes corresponding to the units of the

10 value axis.

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1   31.   A method for buying semi-fungible goods comprising:

2   selecting a group of semi-fungible goods to be displayed;

3   selecting a value unit for a value axis, wherein visual indicators

4   representing offers and bids for the semi-fungible goods are

5   displayed in locations corresponding to the value axis;

6   viewing markets for the selected semi-fungible goods, wherein the markets

7   for goods are communicated through the display of the visual

8   indicators; and

9   buying or selling a good responsive to viewing the markets of the semi-

10   fungible goods.

1   32.   The method of claim 31 further comprising:

2   establishing an action line to determine a value at which to buy or sell a

3   good.

     33.   A user interface for displaying transactional information regarding the buying and

5   selling of semi-fungible goods comprising:, the user interface comprising:

            at least two book axes, wherein each book axis displays orders for a

                different semi-fungible good.

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